GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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INBIAN GIRLS SENT ILLEGALLY ABROAD
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian girls are being sent to Dubai and other countries for prostitution as mentioned in Hindustan dated September 13, 2004;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein and reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the government is contemplating any steps to check such activities;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard; and

(f) if so, the out come thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH)

(a),(b),(c),(d),(e)&(f) Ministry of External Affairs had received a report from the Consulate General of India reminding Joint Secretary and Protector General of Emigrants, Ministry of Labour about a few cases where young girls were brought from India on Visit/ErapSoyment Visa by unscrupulous agents. The touts at UAE forced them to indulge in immoral activities.

Our mission in UAE have been informing the local police authorities about such cases and requesting them to take appropriate action. However, the Ministry of External Affairs has advised Ministry of Labour to take precautionary measures, like,

(i) Issuing instructions to the State Governments to create an awareness among job seekers through print/visual media about the potential dangers if they take any job without proper verification. The agents involved jn arranging Visas may also be identified and appropriate action be taken to curtail such undesirable activities.

(ii) The women coming on Employment Visa without Emigration Check Not Required (ECNR stamp) in their passport should not be allowed ermgration clearance unless they produce attested copies of relevant documents &om the Consulate/Embassy and those coming on Visit Visa should produce a sponsorship declaration signed by the spoiisor and ztlsstzd by the concerned Indian Mission.